



# MINUTES

## TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 15, 2019 | 1:15 p.m. | 210 Senate Building

### Members Present:

Rep. Kay J. Christofferson, Chair  
Sen. David G. Buxton  
Sen. Karen Mayne  
Sen. Ronald Winterton  
Rep. Kyle R. Andersen  
Rep. Melissa G. Ballard  
Rep. Walt Brooks  
Rep. Ken Ivory  
Rep. Dan N. Johnson  
Rep. Marsha Judkins  
Rep. Karen Kwan  
Rep. Merrill F. Nelson

Rep. Adam Robertson  
Rep. Lawanna Shurtliff  
Rep. Raymond P. Ward  
Rep. Elizabeth Weight

### Members Absent:

Sen. Wayne A. Harper, Chair  
President J. Stuart Adams

### Staff Present:

Mr. Art L. Hunsaker, Policy Analyst  
Mr. Kurt P. Gasser, Associate General Counsel  
Ms. Cherish Cosman, Administrative Assistant

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Chair Christofferson called the meeting to order at 1:22 p.m.

Committee members introduced themselves.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ken Ivory moved to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2018 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 14 - 0 - 4.

#### Yeas-14

Rep. K. Andersen  
Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. W. Brooks  
Rep. K. Christofferson  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Rep. K. Kwan  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Nelson  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. R. Ward  
Rep. E. Weight  
Sen. R. Winterton

#### Nays-0

#### Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. D. Buxton  
Sen. W. Harper  
Rep. L. Shurtliff

## 1. Transportation Study Items

Mr. Arthur L. Hunsaker, Policy Analyst, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, presented the proposed study items and spoke to potential committee action on the study items list; further committee discussion followed.

## 2 - Transportation Interim Study Items

**MOTION:** Rep. Raymond P. Ward moved to delegate to the chairs the ability to open bill files on any item on the study items list followed by committee discussion on the motion and process.

Mr. Kurt Gasser, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, responded to questions and clarified process.

Rep. Ward withdrew the motion and committee discussion continued.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to adopt the list of study items. The motion passed with a vote of 14 - 0 - 4.

Yeas-14

Rep. K. Andersen  
Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. W. Brooks  
Sen. D. Buxton  
Rep. K. Christofferson  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Rep. K. Kwan  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Nelson  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. R. Ward  
Rep. E. Weight  
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0

Absent-4

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. W. Harper  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. L. Shurtliff

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to delegate to the chairs the ability to open a bill file for any item on the study items list with the vote of the committee followed by more committee discussion.

Rep. Ward withdrew the motion with committee discussion following.

**MOTION:** Sen. Buxton moved to delegate authority to the Chairs to open a bill file on any item on the study items list followed by committee discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 1 - 5.

Yeas-12

Rep. K. Andersen  
Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. W. Brooks  
Sen. D. Buxton  
Rep. K. Christofferson  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. K. Kwan  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Nelson  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. E. Weight  
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-1

Rep. R. Ward

Absent-5

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. W. Harper  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Rep. L. Shurtliff

## **2 . Alternative Fuel Vehicle Policy**

Rep. Raymond P. Ward presented background information of alternative fuel vehicles and current policies and responded to questions.

### [3 - Review of Alternative Fuel Vehicles, Representative Raymond P. Ward](#)

Sen. Karen Mayne commented on the issue of charging stations.

Rep. Adam Robertson addressed the issue of market forces and incentives with committee discussion following.

**MOTION:** Rep. Ward moved to open a bill file regarding updating the C-Decal program followed by some discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 12 - 0 - 6.

Yeas-12

Rep. K. Andersen  
Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. W. Brooks  
Sen. D. Buxton  
Rep. K. Christofferson  
Rep. D. Johnson  
Rep. K. Kwan  
Rep. M. Nelson  
Rep. A. Robertson  
Rep. R. Ward  
Rep. E. Weight  
Sen. R. Winterton

Nays-0Absent-6

Sen. J. Adams  
Sen. W. Harper  
Rep. K. Ivory  
Rep. M. Judkins  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. L. Shurtliff

### **3 . Urban Air Mobility**

Mr. Jason Davis, Deputy Director of Engineering and Operations, Utah Department Of Transportation, presented an overview of Utah air mobility related to drones and responded to questions and comments.

#### [4 - Utah Air Mobility, Utah Department of Transportation](#)

Mr. Jared Esselman, Utah Department Of Transportation, Director of Aeronautics, responded to questions and comments.

### **4 . Transportation Long-Term Planning**

Rep. Kay J. Christofferson commented on trends in construction and planning.

Mr. Andrew Gruber, Executive Director, Wasatch Front Regional Council, presented an overview of long-term planning in Utah and its challenges and answered questions.

#### [5a - Long-Term Transportation Planning in Utah, Wasatch Front Regional Council](#)

Ms. Teri Newell, Deputy Director of Planning and Investment, Utah Department of Transportation, highlighted the planning process and the importance of intermediate-range planning and answered questions.

Mr. Gruber returned to answer questions with Ms. Teri Newell.

Ms. Beth Holbrook, Commissioner for Utah Transit Authority, presented Utah Transit Authority's long-term planning and responded to questions.

#### [5b - Long-Range Plan, Utah Transit Authority Board](#)

Rep. Karen Kwan encouraged Utah Transit Authority to engage Utah's senior population more.

Shawn Seager, Director of Planning, Mountainland Association of Governments, responded to questions and presented background information of the grid network and how to utilize it for future planning.

#### [5c - Grid Transportation, Mountainland Association of Governments](#)

Chair Christofferson adjourned the meeting at 4:07 p.m.